

## Memorandum

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To: **ALI ALQATMI, Chief**  
Design Branch Z  
Office of Design I  
Central Region Project Development

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Equipment No.: JILS-1314

From: **Ted Mooradian, Chief**  
**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**  
Central Region Materials Engineering Branch - Fresno

Subject: Flexible Pavement Deflection Study Report

In accordance with your June 1, 2009 request, we have developed pavement rehabilitation alternatives for the existing pavement in the above-referenced rehabilitation project in Madera County on Route 99 from south of the South Madera overcrossing to north of the Avenue 16 overcrossing. Design recommendations are based on the deflection study conducted on November, 2009 by Materials Engineering Branch personnel. In each test section, two cores were taken to determine the existing asphalt concrete (AC) thickness and the type of base material.

Operator's field notes indicate recent Rubberized Hot Mixed Asphalt (Type O) over the pre-existing AC surface at the beginning and end of project approximate 0.10 miles at both end. Rest of the pavement is asphalt concrete. Eleven pavement core samples were drilled at various locations. Average core thickness is 1.17 ft (0.41 ft AC and 0.76 ft PCC). The pavement core sample drilled at PM 13.10 in the northbound direction lane # 2 had AC over aggregate base and core delaminated at 0.61 ft from the top. All other samples indicate that dense graded asphalt concrete is placed on pre-existing PCC pavement. All core samples were sound except one at PM 9.60 in the southbound direction lane # 2, which delaminated at 0.23 ft from the top.

The year 2007 *Pavement Condition Survey Inventory* report indicates a maximum International Roughness Index (IRI) of 155 inches/mile from PM 11.7 to PM 11.8 the northbound direction in lane # 2. According to the Caltrans July 1, 2008 Highway Design Manual, the maximum allowable value of IRI that does not require special consideration in design is 170 inches/mile.

Transportation Planning reports that the twenty-year Traffic Index (TI<sub>20</sub>) is 16.5. The estimated pavement thickness, 80<sup>th</sup> percentile of the measured deflections, the tolerable deflections, and the base type are summarized in Table 1.

The data were analyzed for structural adequacy, reflective crack retardation and ride quality. In spite of the some structural adequacy, reflective crack retardation governs the overlay thickness in both directions for the entire length of the project.

Table 1: Summary of Data

Location	Lane #	PM/PM	TI <sub>20</sub>	Base Type	Average AC Thickness ft	Average 80 <sup>th</sup> Percentile Deflection mils	Tolerable Deflection mils	Maximum IRI in/mile
Mad-99 Northbound Lanes	2	9.5/10.0	16.5	PCC	0.41	6	5	149
	2	11.7/13.1		PCC	0.47	6	5	155
Mad-99 Southbound Lanes	2	12.8/13.1		PCC	0.35	6	5	110
	2	11.7/12.8		PCC	0.40	6	5	120
	2	9.5/10.0		PCC	0.44	5	5	130

AC = Dense Graded Asphalt Concrete  
OG = Original Ground  
PCC = Portland Cement Concrete  
IRI = International Roughness Index

## **Twenty-Year Rehabilitation Recommendations**

These recommendations for rehabilitation are based on traffic index, type of base material, thickness of existing pavement, evaluated eightieth percentile deflection, calculated tolerable deflection, and judgment of the design engineer. The design alternatives are controlled by requirement for retardation of reflection cracking.

For Hot Mix Asphalt – Type A (HMA - A) mix, we recommend to use PG 70-10 or PG 64-28PM grade binder and for Rubberized Hot Mix Asphalt – Gap Graded (RHMA-G) mix, we recommend to use PG 64-16 grade binder.

### **PM 9.5 TO PM 10.0 AND PM 11.7 TO PM 13.1**

#### **Alternative 1**

##### **Rubberized Hot Mix Asphalt - Gap Graded (RHMA - G) Overlay**

- Conduct a field review and locate specific areas of severe distress, such as rutting greater than 0.05' and/or loose or spalling pavement and pumping cracks.
- Repair the localized distressed areas with HMA and, if necessary, AB also. Seal all cracks wider than 0.02'.
- Place 0.10' HMA-A, then place Stress Absorbing Membrane Interlayer (Rubberized) [SAMI-R].
- Place 0.20' RHMA-G overlay.
- This alternative will raise the profile grade by 0.30'.

#### **Alternative 2**

##### **Hot Mix Asphalt - Type A (HMA - A) Overlay**

- Conduct a field-review and locate specific areas of severe distress as described above.
- Cold plane 0.10' deep so as to remove the existing RAC-O (where ever exist) in order to reduce the potential moisture vapor action and the resultant stripping problem.
- Repair the localized distressed areas and seal cracks as described above.
- Place 0.15' HMA - A (Leveling Course) then place SAMI-R or Stress Absorbing Membrane Interlayer (Fabric) [SAMI-F].
- Place 0.30' HMA – A overlay.
- This alternative will raise the profile grade by 0.45'.

### **Alternative 3**

#### **Cold Plane Existing Pavement and Replace with Rubberized Hot Mix Asphalt - Gap Graded (RHMA-G)**

- Conduct a field review and locate specific areas of severe distress as described above.
- Cold Plane the existing pavement to a depth of 0.35'.
- Repair the localized distressed areas that remain and seal any remaining cracks wider than 0.02'.
- Place 0.15' HMA-A then place SAMI-R.
- Place 0.20' RHMA-G overlay.
- This alternative will maintain the existing profile grade.

### **Alternative 4**

#### **Cold Plane Existing Pavement and Replace with Hot Mix Asphalt Type A (HMA - A)**

- Conduct a field review and locate specific areas of severe distress as described above.
- Cold Plane the existing asphalt concrete (AC) pavement down to PCC.
- Repair any localized distressed areas in the PCC and seal any remaining cracks wider than 0.02'.
- Place 0.10' HMA-A (Leveling Course) then place SAMI-R or SAMI-F.
- Place 0.50' HMA - A.
- This alternative will raise the profile grade by 0.25'.

### **Alternative 5**

#### **Cold Plane Existing Pavement and Replace with RHMA - G**

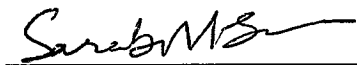
- Conduct a field review and locate specific areas of severe distress as described above.
- Cold Plane the existing AC pavement down to PCC.
- Repair any localized distressed areas that remain and seal any remaining cracks wider than 0.02'.
- Place 0.10' HMA-A (leveling course) then place SAMI-R or SAMI-F.
- Place 0.15' HMA - A then place 0.20' RHMA - G.
- This alternative will raise the profile grade by 0.10'.

**Remarks**

Due to high volume of traffic hot or cold recycling is not recommended as an alternate.

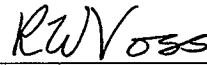
The recommended design alternatives should provide twenty years of service with minimum maintenance costs, provided that the design parameters remain valid and Caltrans specifications and standards are implemented during construction.

If you have any questions regarding the above design recommendations, please call Sarabjit Singh at 488-4007 or Bob Voss at 488-4002.



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**DISCLAIMER**

*All preceding analyses and rehabilitation strategies were based on deflection test results obtained in the fields, core data, input parameters obtained from various sources within Caltrans, as well as assumption pertinent to the design methodology adopted for the analysis. Any variations from the value provided could have a significant impact on the results and recommendations presented in this report. This office bears no responsibility for any alterations that are made, for whatever reason, to the preceding design(s), without prior discussion with this office, for that such alterations could to inadequate performance and premature failure of the constructed pavement structural section. Also, while this office makes every effort to precisely follow the available standard methods for testing and design combined with sound engineering judgement, improper construction practices can have a negative impact on the pavement performance irrespective of the accuracy practiced in the engineering analysis for obtaining the proposed rehabilitation strategies.*

## DYNAFLECT MAP COVER SHEET

EA #	DISTRICT	COUNTY	ROUTE	PROJECT LIMITS	OPERATOR	DATE
0E0401	6	MAD	99	9.5/13.1	SINGH	11/08/09

RANGE OF EVALUATED DEFLECTION	0.126 to 0.153 MM
	0.005 to 0.006 IN
AVERAGE EVALUATED DEFLECTION (AVG OF 80TH PCT)	0.142 MM
	0.006 IN
AVERAGE AC CORE THICKNESS	126 MM
	0.41 FT
AVERAGE TOTAL CORE THICKNESS	356 MM
	1.17 FT
MAXIMUM RIDESCORE	MM
	IN

**NOTE:**

- ALL DEFLECTIONS ARE IN TERMS OF EQUIVALENT DEFLECTOMETER VALUES.
- SHOWN ARE 80TH PERCENTILE DEFLECTIONS (MM) FOR 1000' TEST SECTIONS.
- PAVEMENT DEFLECTIONS MEASURED AT 0.01 MILE INTERVALS.

**COMMENTS:**

# DEFLECTION SUMMARY SHEET

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

EA #	DIST.	COUNTY	ROUTE	PROJECT LIMITS	OPERATOR	DATE
0E0401	6	MAD	99	9.5/13.1	SINGH	11/08/09

<b>TEST# 1</b>	<b>P.M.</b>	<b>13.10 TO 11.73</b>	<b>L #</b>	<b>2 OF 2</b>	<b>DIRECT: NB</b>	<b>DEFLECTION DATA</b>			
<b>SURFACE</b>	DGAC	<b>BASE PCC</b>	<b>WEATHER</b>		clear	<b>AC Th.</b>	<b>TOTAL Th.</b>	<b>MEAN</b>	<b>80TH</b>
<b>CONTROLS?</b>	YES	OVERPASS	<b>TEMP</b>	AIR 50	SURFACE 50	0.47 FT	1.18 FT	0.004 IN	0.006 IN
						143 MM	360 MM	0.109 MM	0.144 MM
ALLIGATOR = NONE      TRANS = CONTINUOUS      LONG = CONTINUOUS      D/OUT = NONE D/HOLES = INTERMITTENT      PUMP = NONE      CORRU = NONE      BLEED = NONE PATCH = NONE      RUTTING = NONE      RAVEL = NONE									
<b>COMMENTS :</b> THREE CORES WERE TAKEN IN THIS TEST SECTION. FIRST CORE WAS DELAMINATED @ 0.61', AC THICKNESS WAS 1.35', TOTAL CORE THICKNESS WAS 1.35' AND BASE MATERIAL WAS AGG. BASE. SECOND CORE WAS INTACT, AC THICKNESS WAS 0.34', TOTAL CORE THICKNESS WAS 1.05' AND BASE MATERIAL WAS PCC.									

<b>TEST# 2</b>	<b>P.M.</b>	<b>10.00 TO 9.50</b>	<b>L #</b>	<b>2 OF 2</b>	<b>DIRECT: NB</b>	<b>DEFLECTION DATA</b>			
<b>SURFACE</b>	DGAC	<b>BASE PCC</b>	<b>WEATHER</b>		clear	<b>AC Th.</b>	<b>TOTAL Th.</b>	<b>MEAN</b>	<b>80TH</b>
<b>CONTROLS?</b>	YES	OVERPASS	<b>TEMP</b>	AIR 56	SURFACE 64	0.41 FT	1.20 FT	0.004 IN	0.006 IN
						125 MM	366 MM	0.106 MM	0.141 MM
ALLIGATOR = NC      TRANS = NC      LONG = NC      D/OUT = NC D/HOLES = NONE      PUMP = NONE      CORRU = NONE      BLEED = NONE PATCH = NONE      RUTTING = NONE      RAVEL = NONE									
<b>COMMENTS :</b> TWO CORES WERE TAKEN IN THIS TEST SECTION. FIRST CORE WAS INTACT, AC THICKNESS WAS 0.32', TOTAL CORE THICKNESS WAS 1.00', BASE MATERIAL WAS PCC, AND BASE THICKNESS WAS 0.68'.									

<b>TEST# 3</b>	<b>P.M.</b>	<b>11.73 TO 12.80</b>	<b>L #</b>	<b>2 OF 2</b>	<b>DIRECT: SB</b>	<b>DEFLECTION DATA</b>			
<b>SURFACE</b>	DGAC	<b>BASE PCC</b>	<b>WEATHER</b>		clear	<b>AC Th.</b>	<b>TOTAL Th.</b>	<b>MEAN</b>	<b>80TH</b>
<b>CONTROLS?</b>	YES	OVERPASS	<b>TEMP</b>	AIR 60	SURFACE 46	0.35 FT	1.03 FT	0.004 IN	0.006 IN
						107 MM	314 MM	0.108 MM	0.147 MM
ALLIGATOR = NONE      TRANS = CONTINUOUS      LONG = CONTINUOUS      D/OUT = NONE D/HOLES = NC      PUMP = NONE      CORRU = NONE      BLEED = NONE PATCH = NONE      RUTTING = NONE      RAVEL = NONE									
<b>COMMENTS :</b> TWO CORES WERE TAKEN IN THIS TEST SECTION. FIRST CORE WAS INTACT, AC THICKNESS WAS 0.36', TOTAL CORE THICKNESS WAS 1.06', BASE MATERIAL WAS PCC, AND BASE THICKNESS WAS 0.70'.									

<b>TEST# 4</b>	<b>P.M.</b>	<b>12.80 TO 13.10</b>	<b>L #</b>	<b>2 OF 2</b>	<b>DIRECT: SB</b>	<b>DEFLECTION DATA</b>			
<b>SURFACE</b>	DGAC	<b>BASE PCC</b>	<b>WEATHER</b>		clear	<b>AC Th.</b>	<b>TOTAL Th.</b>	<b>MEAN</b>	<b>80TH</b>
<b>CONTROLS?</b>	YES	OVERPASS	<b>TEMP</b>	AIR 56	SURFACE 61	0.40 FT	1.33 FT	0.005 IN	0.006 IN
						122 MM	405 MM	0.116 MM	0.153 MM
ALLIGATOR = NONE      TRANS = NC      LONG = NC      D/OUT = OCCASIONAL D/HOLES = INTERMITTENT      PUMP = NONE      CORRU = NONE      BLEED = NONE PATCH = NONE      RUTTING = NONE      RAVEL = NONE									
<b>COMMENTS :</b> TWO CORES WERE TAKEN IN THIS TEST SECTION. FIRST CORE WAS INTACT, AC THICKNESS WAS 0.30', TOTAL CORE THICKNESS WAS 1.45', BASE MATERIAL WAS PCC, AND BASE THICKNESS WAS 1.15'.									

<b>TEST# 5</b>	<b>P.M.</b>	<b>9.50 TO 10.00</b>	<b>L #</b>	<b>2 OF 2</b>	<b>DIRECT: SB</b>	<b>DEFLECTION DATA</b>			
<b>SURFACE</b>	DGAC	<b>BASE PCC</b>	<b>WEATHER</b>		misty	<b>AC Th.</b>	<b>TOTAL Th.</b>	<b>MEAN</b>	<b>80TH</b>
<b>CONTROLS?</b>	YES	OVERPASS	<b>TEMP</b>	AIR 41	SURFACE 36	0.44 FT	1.10 FT	0.004 IN	0.005 IN
						134 MM	335 MM	0.094 MM	0.126 MM
ALLIGATOR = INTERMITTENT      TRANS = NC      LONG = NC      D/OUT = NC D/HOLES = NONE      PUMP = NONE      CORRU = NONE      BLEED = NONE PATCH = NONE      RUTTING = NONE      RAVEL = NONE									
<b>COMMENTS :</b> TWO CORES WERE TAKEN IN THIS TEST SECTION. FIRST CORE WAS DELAMINATED @ 0.23', AC THICKNESS WAS 0.51', TOTAL CORE THICKNESS WAS 1.17', BASE MATERIAL WAS PCC, AND BASE THICKNESS WAS 0.66'.									

**Division of Engineering Services**  
**Materials Engineering and Testing Services**

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# LOG OF MAINLINE CORE HOLES

Core Rig Operator:	WALLS
Deflection Test Operator:	SINGH

Date of Coring:	11/8, 15, 22/2009	No. of Cores:
Deflection Test:	11/8, 15, 22/2009	

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01/07/03TRAFFIC ACCIDENT SURVEILLANCE AND ANALYSIS SYSTEM  
CURRENT HIGHWAY SEQUENCE LISTING (W/ CITIES)  
DIST 06 RTE 099 DIR S-N

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